

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the careful consideration and favorable treatment of the claims by the Examiner in that claims 7-12 have been indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

In addition, claim 6 has been indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Claims 1-5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Falwell et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,944,690). However, this ground of rejection is now moot in view of the present amendment.

More specifically, Applicants have amended claim 2 by including the subject matter of claim 6 and based on the Examiner's comments that claim 6 contains allowable subject matter, Applicants respectfully submit that claim 2, as amended, should be allowed.

Claim 1 has been canceled without prejudice.

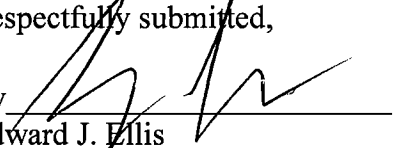
Claims 3-5 should be allowed as depending from what should be an allowable claim 2.

Claims 7-12 stand allowed.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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